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ANTI-MAO MOVEMENT

The anti-Mao faction of the Central Political Bureau sent a telegram to their comrades. The following is a copy of the secret message.

"To comrades in the headquarters of the various armies and army sectors, in all hsien detachments and units, and to all cadre ranks throughout the country:

Under the oppression of the vast military power of the party, we have been forced to engage in a number of large battles. It may seem, on the surface, that we have liberated a vast area, but we have had to sacrifice too many of our brothers. Of our New Third Army, 80 percent have been killed on the field of battle. We who have led our younger brothers and soldiers cannot bear this any longer. And it is the more unbearable because Mao is now an extreme Fascist. If the successes gained by our sacrifices become, indeed, the successes of other people pro-Mao, then these successes mean the downfall of us! We are now making preparations for a general counteroffensive against Mao on X day, I month, and we are negotiating for a conditional agreement with X so that we can strive for a true democratic government. On that day we will turn our rifles and swords in the reverse direction. Remember! On X day, X month, we will rise together."

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